

XV Congress of European Mycologists

Russia, St Petersburg 16-21 September 2007 www.xvcem.org



SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT

Dear colleague,

Time is running fast and in 5 months the **XV Congress of European Mycologists [XVCEM]** will start its work in St Petersburg, Russia (16-21 September 2007).

The principal organizer of the Congress is the **Komarov Botanical Institute** of the Russian Academy of Sciences. The Congress is being organized under the auspices of the European Mycological Association (EMA) and the National Academy of Mycology (NAM), with close co-operation of several other organizations, including the All-Russian Institute of Plant Protection, the Lomonosov Moscow State University, etc.

For the first time the Congress of European Mycologists will have an extended format as a meeting of the European Mycological Association, which was established during the XIVCEM. As a result it will be possible to present **European Mycology in its full variety.** Our Congress slogan is "**European mycology for global progress**".

The Preliminary Scientific Programme of the XVCEM will accordingly include symposia, workshops and round tables on the following topics:

- 1 Fungal systematics and taxonomy;
- 2 Fungal genomics;
- 3 Development mycology (morphology, cytology, biochemistry, physiology of fungi);
- 4 Plant-fungus interactions (lichen-forming, ecto- and endomycorrhizal, endophytic fungi);
- 5 Phytopathogenic fungi;
- 6 Mycogeography and population mycology;
- 7 Fungi in ecosystems;
- 8 Fungal diversity and conservation;
- 9 Fungal biotechnology, mushroom cultivation, medicinal mycology.

Meeting of the EMA General Assembly will take place during the Congress. An open meeting of the ECCF, and the following satellite symposia are planned:

- 1 Medical mycology,
- 2 Toxigenic micromycetes in Europe;
- 3 Centenary of the Jaczewski Laboratory of Mycology & Phytopathology.

Several invited plenary meeting lectures will be included in the programme. Pre- and post-Congress tours, a one-day mycological excursion, exhibitions and a cultural programme during the Congress will also be arranged. The programme is opened for discussion. Ideas and suggestions for topics and contents of symposia, workshops, round tables, satellite symposia, etc., and for cultural events during the Congress will be most welcome.

XVCEM Organizing Committee:

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The language of the Congress is English. The basic location of the Congress is Park inn Pulkovskaya. Management support and technical service of the Congress is handled by PCO Monomax, Ltd.

Important XV CEM dates:

- **15.05.2007** submitting abstracts deadline (have been extended!)
- **20.05.2007** notification to submitters (have been extended!)
- **1.06.2007** early registration deadline
- **1.07.2007** cancellation of registration deadline
- **1.09.2007** late registration deadline

If you have not registered yet for participating in the Congress, please click http://onlinereg.ru/15CEM. If you are interested in the Congress and need more information, visit the XV CEM web site www.xvcem.org. We will regularly update the Congress website and distribute the important information by e-mail.

On behalf of the Organizing Committee, we hope that the upcoming Congress will be an exiting and productive mycological event, and we look forward to seeing you in St Petersburg in September 2007.

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